DTC earnings during February, 1986

176. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what was the average daily earning of the DTC on 9th, 10th and llth February, 1986;

(b) whether there has been any decline in the earnings on any of these days;

(c) whether the recent hike in bus fare has resulted in Ihe said decline; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The following is the position of traffic earnings on 9-2-86 10-2-86 and 11-2-86:—

Date	Total Traffic Earnings (Rs. in lakhs)	Total Kms. operated (in lakhs)	Number of passengers carried (in lakhs)
9-2-86 (Sunday)	26.47	9.34	25.73
10-2-86 (Monday) (Delhi Bandh)	18.48	10.20	18.82
11-2-86 (Tuesday)	34.14	11.14	35.51

(b) to (d) There was decline in the earnings On Sunday as well as on Monday the 9th, 10th February, 1986 for reasons other than the hike in fare charges. On 9th February, 1986, the short-fall in traffic earnings was mainly due to it being a 'Holiday' both for commercial establishments as well as for Government offices. this day was also a rainy day As regards decline on 'Delhi Bandh' day (10th february 1986), there was less traffic demand. It was also a rainy day The llth was a normal working day and hence traffic earnings picked up.

Appointment of Vice-Chairman of tbe UGC

177. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA- Will fee Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply *to* Unstarred Question 1721 given in the Rajya Sabha on 12th M^rch, 1986 and state by when the post of Vice-Chairman of the University Grants Commission is likely to be filled up?

THT: MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE)SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): The appointment of the Vice- Chairman, University Grants Commission is at the final st apses of consideration.

Affairs of the Asiatic Society, Calcutta

178. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether r. delegation of the eminet academicians recently called on the Prime Minister and submitted a .memonndum drawing his attention about certain serious maladies that ar,» eating into the vitals of the Asiatic Society located in Calcutta; and

(bi if so. what are the main points of the memorandum and what action Government propose to take thereon?

TV£ MINISTER OF STATE. IN THF. OFPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGIV (a^ No such detesatTOn has met 'tip Prime Minister Howevcr a memo-andum was received in the Prime Minister's Office on IstApril,